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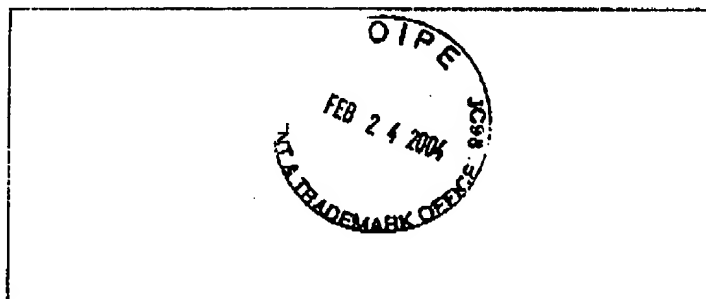
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	Confirmation #	4291
	Filing Date	November 13, 2000
	First Inventor	NIVET
	Art Unit	2121
	Examiner	R. Patel
	Docket #	P06978US00/RFH

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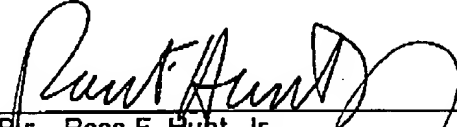
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INDEP. CLAIMS	3	3	0	X \$ 84 =	
TOTAL OF ABOVE CLAIMS FEES =					0
Reduction by 1/2 for small entity status of applicant					
SUBTOTAL =					0
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fee for extension of time (per attached Petition)					110
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other fee for Terminal Disclaimer					110
TOTAL OF ALL FEES =					220.00

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☒ In the event that a petition for extension of time is required to be submitted herewith and that a separate petition is not submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time of as many months as are required to render this submission timely. Any fee is authorized above.

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